

Advanced Placement Funding Update April 2009

AP Federal Funding

We received notification on March 10, 2009 that the Indiana Department of Education has been awarded the federal funds requested to cover 2009 AP exams for Free and Reduced Lunch students through the Advanced Placement Test Fee grant from the U.S. Department of Education. This covers the **total** cost of all AP exams for this group of students. From the \$86 fee per exam:

- College Board reduces exam fee by \$22 per exam
- School forgoes \$8 rebate per exam
- Balance of \$56 is covered by the federal grant

AP State Funding

Our central office checked with key members of the Indiana General Assembly early in March and is confident that there is sufficient support to maintain AP funding for science and math tests for 11th and 12th grade students this spring. The April update from our IDOE legislative liaison indicates that both houses of the Indiana General Assembly wish to maintain the same AP funding amount as last year. Please note:

- 100% certainty is not possible until the General Assembly passes the budget, and the legislative session continues through April.
- Based on the reliability of this information, we do suggest that you assume the math and science exams for grades 11 and 12 will be paid.
- We will continue to share information about the AP program with you as it becomes available.